OFFICERS ELECTED LAST NIGHT.

Mr. A. B. Apperson Chosen Clerk, Dr. Gaskins Treasurer, and Mr. I. H. Jenkins Musical Director-Committee to Notify Dr. Biden,

church was recently withdrew from that church and organized another met at Monroe Hall last evening and extended a call to Rev. J. C. Hiden, D. D., to be-

Hiden was formerly pastor of

as not large, quite a number beent away by sickness and unavoidcauses, but the action of those presway was unanimous and

ting was called to order shorts a'clock, Mr. John D. Chrisintendent of the Sunday school, hard F. Gaskins, treasurer, Mr. L. H. as was elected to have charge of the

DR. HIDEN CHOSEN.

next business was the election

MEMBERS ENTHUSIASTIC a short while, at least. Members of -Saints Episcopal church have ap-ached members of this church and ofed the sale of that house, but no ac-

HENRICO PRIMARY TO-DAY.

has been no bad feeling

r Clerk Circuit Court-John E. Broad

Sheriff-Simon Solomon, W. W. Til-

Commonwealth's Attorney-Wil-H. Beveridge, J. T. Lawrence, Alex. ands, C. W. Throckmorton, commissioner of the Revenue (Up-trict)—Charles W. Childrey, Caskie h. Herndon Tallaferro,

Commissioner of the Revenue (Low-strict)-L. H. Kemp, Hugh D. Smith. MINOR OFFICES. bekahoe District:

Supervisor-R. W. Browning, or Justice of the Peace-A. W. Ball, Heuley, Thomas H. Jackson, How-Kinney, James T. Lewis, E. T.

Constable-Harry M. Cooper, on C. Mann. Overseer of the Poor-George E. vay. M. Urban:

Supervisor-J. W. Penick, John E.

Justice of the Peace-T. R. Dar-C. B. Fitzwilson, Theodore A. L. S. Richardson, R. T. Sale, A. R. onstable-Isham L. Ford, William

verseer of the Poor-Victor Litchhn W. Toombs.

spervisor-P. Hicks, H. C. Heckler, actice of the Peace-P. Norment W. G. Griffin, Lewis N. John-Estin Lewis, J. B. Lohwasser, J. Pierce, George W. Thomas, stable-T. Corbin Braxton, R.

Charles W. Thomas or of the Poor-P. M. Houservisor-R. W. Atkinson, J. C.

B. Frayser. R. C. Friend, Rasmus Nelson, ick. F. R. Woodson. stable—T. H. Samuel.

for Overseer of the Poor-W. T. War-

HIS WHEREAROUTS UNKNOWN.

Nothing Heard from Rinearson, Who Has Been Away Three Weeks.

handsomely fitted up ladles' tailorof A. J. Rinearson, No. 807 the Franklin street, are still closed, and billing has been heard from the propriehe left the city, about three This fact has aroused a good man are unknown.

to, which belongs to Mr. Davis. He will have had posthe house two months next He fitted the place up quite The furniture was puron Sydnor & Hundley, and the surtains, rugs, and hangings Anderson & Sons. window is in very large let-

arson boarded at the residence Sate Callayhan, No. 811 east ct, where he had been within of a month when he left, while here, joined the Seventhtian church, and made a great ds among the members. He the acquaintance of many a. He gave no intimation to his intended departure from He asked for supper a little an usual on the Sunday night left the city, and, boardi and look the north-bound train. It is Address Dr. Hartman, for a free catarrh book.

trip ticket to New York from the con-ductor, whom he told that he had been unexpectedly called to New York.

MARRIED IN ST. JOHN'S CHURCH. Miss Hallie E. Cooper and Mr. Frederick C. Hoenniger the Parties.

Miss Hallie Elizabeth Cooper and Mr. Frederick C. Hoenniger were married at oon yesterday at St. John's church, Rev. R. A. Goodwin, the rector, officiating. Precisely at noon the bride and groom

entered, the former leaning on the arm of Mr. Walter H. Williams, who gave her away. She was exquisitely gowned in pearl silk with applique trimmings, and arried Le France roses. The following were the ushers: Mr. Walter Ames of Petersburg, Dr. O. F. Blankenship, Mr. V. T. Bain, Mr. J. G. Christian, Mr. E. E. Wingfield, Mr. S. S. Mulford, Mr. T. dulford, Mr. Thomas Mussen, and Mr.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Hoenniger left for their future surburban home, on the Seven Pines rail-way, a short distance from this city. Here, from 8 to 11 P. M., was tendered an elegant reception in honor of the couple, and refreshments were lavishly served to a large number of friends and relatives. The presents were very handsome, useful,

Mr. Hoenniger is a well-known young business-man of Richmond, and is con-nected with the McCormick Harvesting Machine Company. He is very popular. The bride is a popular young lady of

WILL OPERATE AS A CLUB.

Important Change Adopted by the Gesangverein Virginia.

rated as a club was adopted.

tinue to carry out the objects of its tener-the fostering of music and a

filion. Indeed, it was never more pres-perous they at present. It is a fact not cenerally known that the Gesangverein is

the oldest society of the kind in Rich-mond, probably in Virginia. The comic operetta "Der Wunder Dok-tor" was sung Monday night at Sanger Hall to a large audience, composed of the members and ladies. All were greatly praise is due the active members, who have been dudying this three-act work very diligently. The sololists-Messrs, Charles Phillips, Henry C. Rueger, Aug. Moll, Fred. B. Schauf, Charles McAllister, and Walter Schaaf-acquitted themselver very creditably. The stage management Sauerwald. Professor Charles F. Mutter, the director of the society, conducted, and Mrs. C. Fred. Koehler played the ganization. They expect that it and Mrs. C. Fred. Koemer payers and Mrs. C. Fred. Koemer payer

Revival Service at Broad-St. Church. Revival Service at Brond-St. Church.

There was a very large attendance and the best meeting of the revival service now being held at Brond-Street Methodist Episcopal church last night. Rev. L. P. Bransford preached the best sermon since the meeting began, taking as his text the first clause of the twelfth verse of the fifty-sixth Psain: "Thy Vows Are I pon Me. O Lord." The subject of the morning service at 11° o'clock will be what is meant by "A Life Hid With Christ in God." The evening subject will be what is meant by "A Life Hid With Christ in God." The evening subject will be county officers, which will be any next.

An Enster Ball.

the benefit of the Italian Benevolent and Fraternal Society. The attendance was quite large and the interest was well sustained until the last.

The programme included twenty dances, and the music was furnished by Mr. W. F. Tremer's orchestra. The Committee on Arrangements, to whom much of the credit is due for the success of the entertainment, was composed of Messrs. L. Marchetti, E. Lebolo, and G. Carnicelli.

CONGRESSMAN HOWARD

The matter referred to the City Attorney for his opinion as to the rights of the committee to have the barge removed. The chairman, City Engineer, Harbormaster, and Attorney will meet Friday morning, and final steps for the removal of the barge will then the decided upon.

The members of the committee present were: Messrs, Curtis (chairman), Allison, Christian, Donahoe, Ebel, Ellyson, Mayer, and Mosby; City-Engineer Cutshaw, Sergeant-at-Arms Ruskell, Council-Committee-Clerk A, H. McDowell.

Among the invited guests present were:

CONGRESSMAN HOWARD

Cured by Pe-ru-na and Recommends It for Catarrh and La Grippe.



longressman Howard, from Atabama.

House of Representatives, Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company,

Columbus, O.: Gentlemen,-I have taken Pe-ru-na now for two weeks, and find I am very much relieved. I feel that my cure will be permanent. I have also taken it for la grippe, and I take pleasure in recommending Pe-ru-na as an excellent remedy to all

fellow-sufferers. Very respectfully, M. W. HOWARD. Congressman Howard's home address

is Fort Payne, Ala. The physician who falls to recognize the lepressing influence that systemic catarrh has during the springtime upon all people, sick or well, will fail, to a large extent, in the practice of medicine. The most pronounced type of disease is modified by t and the most vigorous health is disturbed by it. During April and May systemic catarrh is very common. one word which describes this condition better than any other in the English

language is "tired." The robust man in the prime of vigor derest, as the whereabouts of and health finds himself unable to entirely shake off "that tired feeling." tailor was a comparative. This complaint increases in severity and universality as civilization increases. It has become so prevalent

North, South; East, and West that it would be difficult to imagine what the masses of the people would do without Pe-ru-na. It seems as if the discovery and introduction of this systemic catarrh remedy was the

most timely and fortunate coinci- Miss Susan Wymar dence that ever occurred in the annals of medicine.

S ALL SALES Teacher, Richmond School, Chicago, Ill., Praises Pe-Surely no greater ru-na.

one ever existed than the want of som reliable systemic catarrh remedy with catarrh remedy with

reliable systemic catarrh remedy with sufficient invigorating and cleansing power "that tired feeling. Address Dr. Hartman, Columbus

A TRIP ON THE TUG.

MITTEE GO DOWN TO DUTCH GAP.

MEETING ON BOARD THE BOAT.

Stream Made Clear by Col. Cutshaw-Refreshments Served.

The Committee on Improvement of James River met on board the city tug Thomas Cunningham, Sr., yesterday afinspection of the harbor and river since the recent ice gorge and freshets. After boarding the tug the Captain was instructed to steam up to the lock-gates of the dock. While off this point the City cers of the Chesapeake and Ohio Rallway operations. The head of the tug was harbor and river as far as Dutch Gap was inspected. The committee convened on board the boat and disposed of many items of business. The Captain of the tug submitted his report for the month of March, which showed that the department was idle nearly the entire month so far as dredging was concerned, caused the two freshets during the month The amount of work done was the re &c. The crews of the dredge and tug were engaged during the high water in making necessary repairs to the property of the department.

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

The clerk submitted the following re-port of the department's finances: Appropriation, \$14,250; expended, \$1,251,97; balance, \$12,265,63. The pay-roll and bills on account of March, amounting to \$877,15, were approved and ordered to be

of the tug needed painting, occasioned by the work done during the gorge. He was instructed to have the boat taken to Norfolk to be painted at such a time as the chairman may think proper and ad-

The following resolution was adopted: The following resolution was adopted: Resolved, That in all cases of emer-gency requiring the service of the city's tug outside of the harbor limits, the same shall be done under the direction and discretion of the chairman of the com-

mittee and captain of the tug.

2. That all repairs, dyking, and other matters pertaining to repairs of floating property or improvements of the harbor be done under the direction and supervi-

sion of the City Engineer.

The committee decided that hereafter no pay shall be allowed employees of the department for time lost on account of sickness, unless a physician's certificate shall be presented to the captain and by BUOYS AND LIGHTS NEEDED.

the Clyde-Line Steamship Company, as to points along the river. It was decided to communicate with the National Light-House Board at Washington and urge

The old subject of the sunken coal-barge A very enjoyable and successful ball in the harbor was again considered, and the benefit of the Italian Benevolent and the matter referred to the City Attorney Fraternal Society. The attendance was for his opinion as to the rights of the

ager Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company; F. B. Isaacs, William R. Trigg, Joseph Wallerstein, Harbormaster J. A. Curtis, Thomas J. Starke, and T. Archi-

The Revival at Immanuel.

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The service at Immanuel Baptist church last night was probably the most interesting during the meeting which has been in progress there ten days. There was a very good congregation, and Rev. J. R. Harrison was heard with close attention. His sermon was a very solemn one, addressed especially to the unsaved, and emphasizing the reasons why their condition is one of sadness. The pastor closed with an exceedingly strong and tender appeal to the unconverted to accept Christ. There were several requests for prayer. The prayer and praise service tonight will open at 7:45 o'clock.

Whiskey in a Barrel Explodes,

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There was considerable excitement in front of a grocery-store on Broad street near First about 5.30 -o'clock yesterday afternoon, caused by the explosion of a small quantity of whiskey in a barrel which had been set out on the pavement. The report was quite loud, and attracted the attention of people in every direction and squares off. The explosion was probably caused by the barrel becoming warm in the sun. No damage was done.

(New York Journal.) Everybody knows that New York society is a very mixed up concern just at present, on account of various family and other complications. The Vanderbiltand other complications. The value out-Fair wedding was probably the most complicated "don't speak" gathering ever seen in New York. I pity poor Her-mann Oelrichs and his wife when I think what a time they must have had sorting out their guests and arranging their breakfast tables so as to separate the "don't speaks." I think they man-aged very well. Nobody could possibly pretend to give an account of the misunderstandings gathered there, but a few

understandings gathered there, but a few will do as samples: Young Cornelius Vanderbilt and his wife, popularly known as the "Neelles," were invited. Young Cornelius's mother, who was also present, does not speak to either of them. Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont, who is very strict and not at all for-giving in social matters, and who is, of course, seconded by Oliver in everything, does not speak to any of the Vanderbilts save her own Vanderbilt children. She does not speak to the Harrimans, she does not speak to the Sloanes, she does not speak to Chauncey Depew, who was safely anchored at a considerable distance in the middle of William K. Vanderbilt, Sr.'s table. Mrs. Belmont does not speak to Winnie

Hoyt or Fred. Beach. Some of the Sloanes do not speak to each other. The Jays and the Oelrichses are on Mrs. Oliver's side of the fence in all

quarrels. It is a very pretty mix-up. Mrs. Shepard, widow of poor religious Colorel Elliott F., does not speak to the Oliver Belmonts or the young "Neelies." The young "Neelies" or the Olivers do not speak to Mrs. Shepard or to each other Fortunately, the other Belmonts were not asked or things would have been even more complicated. Do you wonder that there was a kind of frigid atmosphere

WASHINGTON, April 5 .- Assistant-Secretary Vanderlip has issued new reg-ulations governing the civil service appointments, promotions and transfers in the mints and assay offices of the United States. The positions are arranged under five general schedules, scientific, clerical, mechanical, trade or skilled, positions below classification, and on another not

New Civil-Service Rules for Mints.

yet promulgated The scientific and clerical positions will be filled after competitive examinations, but without registration, while the mechanical trade or skilled positions will be filled after a slight educational test and a registration examination. The squeetless test will examination. The educational test will be letter writing, arithmetic, and plain The registration test will con copying. The registration test will consist of rating persons according to age, character as a workman, and range of experience. Physical qualifications will be also considered. Credit will be given for apprenticeship and work as journeymen. Graduates of technical schools will be given credit in lieu of an apprentice. e given credit in lieu of an apprentice

TWO HUMOROUS BROTHERS.

They Won Wagers on the Strengtl of Their Own Homeliness,

(New York Mail and Express.)
Many years ago there were
brothers, named Joel and Jonathan, were famous throughout Wayne county Ind., because they were both such frights One day they were on their way to Cin cinnati by wagon in the days of the old canal. The wagon was of the covered variety, and only Joel was visible to the natural eye as the vehicle plunged into and out of the chuck holes that infested the way. Joel was said to be the next to the ugliest man in all the country 'round, and his brother took precedence. The two brothers that a stranger, who, attracted by the supremely homely face of Joel, stopped his horse and said:

"Excuse me, my friend, but, would you mind telling me your name?"
In a sepulchral tone that fit,ed well the hideous face, Joel replied:
"Well, I guess I hain't never done nothin' that would make me ashamed to tell my name. My name is Joel"— "Where do you live, if it is a fair ques-

I live in Wayne county, Indianny," "I live in Wayne county, Indianny."

"Well, stranger, I've seen much of Indianny, but I'll bet you \$19 that you'er the ugliest man in the State."

"Well, I hain't no glamblin' man," replied Joel, "but I hain't never seen nothin' in the Scriptur' ag'in bettin' on a sure thing, an' I'll jest take that bet."

Turning to the wagon cover and peering into its deaths, he called:

ing into its depths, he called:
"Jonathan, stick your head out hyer."
Jonathan did as he was requested.
The stranger paid the money without a
word of complaint.

Our Losses in the Philippines. WASHINGTON, April 5.—The cast ties in the Philippines from February to April 4th, inclusive, as reported to Adjutant-General's office, are as follo Killed, 181; wounded, 576, Total, 1,169.

Telegraphic Briefs.

Mr. Vanderlip, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, left Washington yesterday on business connected with the Sub-Trea-sury and the mint. He will return next Monday.

Brigadier-General Carpenter, formerly lieutenant-colonel of the Seventeenth In-fantry, who is soon to take command of the post at Fort McPherson, near Atlanta expected to arrive in Atlanta within next day or two.

The existing postal contract for service between Miami, Fla., and Habana, Cuba, has been ordered continued in force from April sth to June 30th next, and the contractor is now required to supply Key West with the mails on the trips from Miami to Habana.

For ten days the wreckage of an un-known vessel has been coming ashore at Kelly's Cove, N. S. A piece of plank picked up Monday has the letters paint-ed on it, "Win—," the plank being here broken off. The residents of the Cove firmly believe and based on the Cove

The United States torpedoboat Somers, which left Falmouth, England, yesterday en route for Plymouth, England, broke down off Plymouth and was towed into Plymouth Sound disabled. The Somers, which was purchased by the United States at the outbreak of the war with Spain, will be brought to America on a freight-steamer.

The Beiglan Geographical Society has received a dispatch stating that the extreme latitude reached by the Antarctic expeditionary steamer Belgic was 71.36 south, longitude 32. Much bad weather was encountered by the expedition, but no intense cold, except during the month of Septembef. Good maps were prepared of Hughes Bay and Palmer's Land, south of the South Shetiand Islands.

A delegation of New Orleans citizens made a protest to Acting-Secretary-of-War Mciklejohn yesterday to the effect that the executors of the Eads estate are not maintaining the required depth of water at the mouth of the Mississippi

not maintaining the required depth of water at the mouth of the Mississippi river, where the jettles were constructed. Mr. Mcklejohn said he would investigate the subject and determine whether or not the War Department had any jurisdiction

The result of correspondence between Acting-Ser-retary-of-War Melklejohn and Surgeon-General Wyman, of the Marine Hospital Service, regarding the return to this country of the remains of the men who died in Cuba of yellow-fever, has been the issuance of criters by the former directing that none of the remains of yellow-fever victims shall be brought to the United States until cold weighter returns. The graves of such soldiers were isolated in Cuba, so that no mistake as to identification need occur.

as to identification need occur.

Lieutenant Frank C. Curry, Third Georgia Voinnteers, who shot and killed Private Leo Reid, Eattery I. Second Artillery, last January, at Savannah, will not be tried by court-martial, but will be delivered into the hands of the civil authorities, an order having been received from the War Department by the commanding general of the Department of the Gulf directing that this be done. Lieutenant Curry, who is now under a military guard at Augusta, will be discharged from the service, and the civil authorities at once allowed to take him in hand. The delivery of the prisoner to the civil authorities was found to be necessary on account of the great scarcity of officers in the Department of the Gulf, most of whom are off on muster-out and recruiting duty, and also by the fact that the regiments leaving or the Philippines and Cuba all carry a full quots of officers. ments leaving for the lamp. Cuba all carry a full quota of officers.



Nearly all women look forward to the ordeal of motherhood with so much dread and anxiety safely arrived and made a warm little place for himself in the mother's heart, does she fairly realize that it was indeed a good angel who brought this wee nestling to

brighten and sweeten her life.

Women who are approaching motherhood with a sense of fear and solicitude, or in a weakened physical condition, need the help of that marvelous "Favorite Prescription," invented by Dr. R. V. Pierce, chief consulting physician of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., and designed expressly to restore healthy vigor to the delicate feminine structure involved in motherhood. It takes away all of the

designed expressly to restore healthy vigor to the delicate feminine structure involved in motherhood. It takes away all of the danger and most of the pain attendant upon motherhood, and confers on the baby that lusty hardihood which is a joy to a mother's heart.

An Ohio lady, Mrs. Le's Coffmire, of Clarington, Monroe Co., in a letter to Dr. Fierce, says: "I had always been healthy until four years ago. Before the birth of my child I suffered almost death a dozen times. Had what we call milk leg for four years. Could not stand it to be on my feet long at a time without swelling dreadially. Before my last baby was born I had every symptom of a return of the trouble. My leg swelled hadly. I read of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, and thought I would try it. I took six bottles, and when my baby was born I had been how had hasted tweive to fifteen hours. I am a bor had lasted tweive to fifteen hours. I am a bor had lasted only a short time. In times previous, labor had lasted tweive to fifteen hours I am a bor had lasted tweive to fifteen hours. I am a well woman to-day, and have been since I got ut of bed, when my little boy was nine days old. I give the credit all to Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, I will never do without it during such a time."

**An Ohio lady, Mrs. Le's Coffmire, of Clarington, Monroe Co., in a letter to Dr. Fierce, says: "Some of the bombs had embedded themselves in the sand at the spot where they are monther, the quality fell below the work improvement to note in both these respects at present. In the matter of dought reason or another, the quality fell below the days in makes of the care and mixed with the motten and the mother and providence rice; and, secondly, from oue reason or another, the quality fell below the days. In some we found large masses of the care they milky-white patches in the black vitre-days been the sand at the spot where they milky-white patches in the black with the mother and providence rice, good progress is being make. Farmers are no longer willing to risk

A SILK SURPRISE

awaits visitors to The Meyer Store this morning, which is occasioned solely by the advanced business methods of the store.

Some 4,000 Yards of Silks

were reported by the silk manager as slow sellers and as clogging his stock space necessary for the continuous arrival of new Summer Silks. There was but one way to sell them, and we have adopted that method—throw them out on special tables at such bargain prices as will make them a memory a few days hence. Now, do not think because these are slow sellers you can have no interest in them. They are such Silks as you will fairly grab at for the present sale prices, and we could sell them without a word of advertising, but we want EVERYBODY to have the same chance at them. As much information as possible follows. Every piece is not mentioned:

On Table No. 1

there will be found-

On Table No. 4 there will be found-

Pure Black Silk Brocade Duchess; Black Figured Indias; Plain Changeable Taffetas; All-Silk Colored Liberty Satins; Colored Figured and Striped Taffetas, every yard of which sold for \$1, now marked to sell, per yard, 69C.

On Table No. 2

there will be found-

24-inch All-Silk Heavy Black Gros-Grain; All-Silk Superb Black Satin Duchess; All-Silk Fine Imported Figur-ed Mervellieux; Seeded Striped Ar-mures; Black Pekin Stripe Taffetas; Rich Lustre Black Brocade Duchess; Rich Taffeta Plaids; Colored Striped Duchess; Fancy Colored Silks, large variety of shades, Silks which sold for \$1.50 and \$2, now marked to sell

All-Silk Colored Foulards, figures and stripes, worth \$1 yard, 75c.

All-Silk Black Brocade Indias; Brocade and Bayadere Taffetas; All-Silk Glossy Black Taffetas; Siik Brocado Poplin in light shades; Striped and Checked

there will be found-



TAKEN ON THE BRINK

CAMERA HAS PRESERVED PIC-TURES OF CRATER IN ERUPTION.

SOME ASTOUNDING PHOTOGRAPHS.

Secured Snap-Shots of the Seething

Monster of the Mountain,

Dispatch.) Let the camera flend who sighs for new subjects turn his apparatus on the crater cano it had been for some time in erup- out of the crater during a previous cruption, and we were all keyed; up to the highest pitch of excitement at the pros-

pect before us. Rocca d'allume or Faraglione, a great mass of trachitic rocks decomposed by the action of sulphurous acid. It is probably the last remnant of an old sand deep caldron full of boiling lava, rising the side facing Vulcano its base is all ing and roaring, but that crater only pierced with burrows, where lived, like looked like the pit of a gigantic ant-lion, Yet it was the "Fossa," and we knew

Then we directed our steps towards the grim old Smith," and another added, "And here is to his light-hearted congreat eruptive cone. We passed a house, the roof of which was broken in by a down and stamped our feet and yelled the showth begin. huge boulder that had crashed its way right through the building. A little far-ther on were the ruins of large work-sheds, where the products of the "Fossa"

used to be roughly assorted, separated, Between these rambling buildings and the foot of the cone had extended a beau-tiful vineyard of more than 20,000 vines, the emerald green of its luxuriant foliage almost flashing amongst the dark olive olor of the surrounding broom jungle. As we approached the foot of the cone, we were struck by the boulders of huge

with the vapor that accumulates beneath it, until the steam has gained sufficient tension to burst and huri the lava high up into the air, shattered into a cloud of dust and fragments. Each fragment, while ascending, expands, because it contains within its mass a quantity of water at an excessively-high temperature, which turns into vapor as soon as it is relieved from surrounding pressure. Meanwhile the mass cools; the external surface, from which the rising and expanding bubbles cannot escape, remains all full of cavities, like the crumb of a loaf. The outer shell or crust cools and hardens almost imme diately, and is, therefore always burst by the spongy mass which continues to expand in the interior, and often emerges in large quantities through the rents. The broken crust contracts and furls up at the edges, exposing the bubbling pumice, pulled out in long glass filaments. The thickness of the crust varies greatly, and has no connection with the size of the boulders. Some have a very thick, com-pact, glassy crust, which passes gradually into the pumice of the interior. These have always large, deep fissures through which the pumice has bulged out extensively; others have a much thinner crust, which is fissured all over into smaller shields, and gives them the appearance of large bolitas of the Pampas rolled up in

We broke a large quantity of bombs to We broke a large quantity of hombs to examine their structure, and found they contained numerous fragments of previous ejections which had fallen back into the crater and mixed with the molten lava. In some we found large masses of quartz and felspar, which formed lovely milky-white patches in the black vitre-

ways a mighty one The ascent was very tiring, the cone being built up entirely of loose sand in which we often slipped back. It ended with a most precipitous sheet of sand bardened in the control of the c

hardened into tufa of a deep ochre color.

The old path which wound up the cone had been effaced, and the obsidian lava which covered part of the north-north-west side was entirely buried beneath the sand of the present eruption. The crater now active of Vulcano—the "Fossa" as it is called—is a basin 500 feet across, which opens within two older and larger concentric craters, broken down on the north side. The lip of the outer, wider, and more ancient crater is only 250 feet high on the north side, but on the south side it is overlapped by the southern segments of the other two cra-ters, and rises to 1,250 feet.

The "Fossa," before a former eruption, was over 490 feet deep. Its precipitous sides looked as if they had been ploughed by the rain torrents, and were sprinkled with gorgeous sublimations and festoonwere a bridge, over a deep rent, two old condensers, and several work-sheds with tiled roofs. All these things were blasted

and howied for the show to begin.

The crater was full of sunshine, and multitudinous facets sparkled in its sides. It looked the very picture of calm, but the air danced reels over it, as it does over a lime-kiln, and that showed treachery. While we were looking a great yellow butterfly went fluttering gently to-wards the middle of the crater.

wards the middle of the crater.
Suddenly, at 1:12 P. M., from the bottom of the crater all that heap of sand was thrown up in slinnting black jets which, rising to a height of three or four hundred feet, opened into clouds of thick, black smoke and formed one great column looking like a huge black cauliflower. At first the clouds rose up so dense that they seemed masses of gray calcedonis, but in the swinkling of an eye they expanded size which strewed the ground in great quantity. One of them, about five feet high, was still burning hot; it had fallen that very morning at a distance of about one mile from the crater.

These enormous lava balls were formed by a mass of pumice covered over by a thin crust of obsidian, all fissured and broken, and shrivelled into separate shields, not unlike the bark of a pine. broken, and chrivelled into separate shields, not unlike the bark of a pine trunk. Dr. Lavis has called these missiles "bread-crust bombs," and the name is appropriate, because they have certainly the appearance of bread rolls, though their size might suggest that they had been specially baked for the people of Brobingnag.

This is how they are made: The doughthat is to say, the lava in the upper part of the volcanic chimney—is in a state of intense viscosity, and rises and bulges with the vapor that accumulates beneath it, until the steam has gained sufficient.

danger of our position. It was the chance of a lifetime, and we made the best use of our time. Only when we had secured pictures of every phase of the eruption did we rejuctantly pack our apparatus and begin the descent.

The Rice Crop in Louisiana. (New Orleans Picayune.)

Despite the vicissitudes with which the rice producers of this State have had to contend in recent years, the rice industry has made steady progress. The produc tion of rice in the river section of the State, which was allowed to diminish for several years, owing to the great revival in the sugar industry, is again increasing

In the sugar industry, is again increasing considerably, and for the future we may expect to see the river yield figure as a good percentage of the total crop. The Calcasieu crop is not as large as it used to be, but the farmers are adopting better methods of cultivation, and there is every reason to expect that in the near future there will not only be a good increase in yield, but that the quality will also greatly improve a great desideratum at the ly improve, a great desideratum at the present time. Calcasien has had to struggle against

several setbacks. In the first place, the prairie rice was dependent nearly altogether on rains, hence was known as providence rice; and, secondly, from one reason or another, the quality fell below

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with the methods of cultivating rice in Western Louisiana thoroughly revolutionized by irrigation and the intelligent selection of seed, with an increasing competition between city and mills, there is no reason why the rice industry should not reach the proportions formerly attained. Rice farmers, like all other southern farmers, are much less de-

Demand for Manual Training. (Portland Oregonian.) Never before in the history of our coun-

pendent upon a single crop than was formerly the case; hence they are better prepared to withstand the fluctuations of

the market, and with so many mills eager to buy their crops, there ought to be no difficulty in the way of a ready mar-

ket and satisfactory prices.

try-perhaps, in the history of the world-were so many avenues open and opening for the work of skilled hands. The ago of industrial cobbling and of labor hamp-ered by ignorance is practically at an end. That our present educational system is steadily growing away from the stand-ard of practicability, and hence from the ard of practicability, and hence from the standard of usefulness and industrial development, may be conceded. Very little that is being taught in the higher grades of our public schools at present is of practical value to the majority of pupils. Conformity with the "system" is insisted upon and much time is fritted away in "processes," which serve to confuse, rather than enlighten. The educational machine is being fed laborlously, but without discrimination. The boy who spends his spare time upon the floor of the sitting room with a copy of the Scientific American before him studying the mechanism of steam engines and electribeasts, the poor families employed for the extraction of sulphur, boracle acid, and other products which the "Fossa" will ke Jack-in-the-box, and show a very ugly face. I must confess, and my companions will surely admit it to themselves the eruption. In one of these miserable burrows I found a terracetta whistle in the shape of a bird. It was a sweet token of motherly loss. interested in all growing things, who has a "knack" for making cuttings take root and seeds germinate quickly, and who never misses a chance to tramp out into the country at harvest time, grows desperate over unsatisfactory attended to extract the cube.

harvest time, grows desperate over unsatisfactory attempts to extract the cube root or deal understandingly with problems in compound proportion.

A revolt against inconsistencies fostered under the name of education is going on in many thoughtful minds, and taken in conjunction with the practical facts of national growth and widening opportunities, it is making itself heard in the demand for manual training. The power of mand for manual training. The power of being able to do is the essence of all power. Its power is contentment and its

Robbie's Dissatisfaction, (Tit-Bite.) Robble had longed long and earnestly for a baby brother and a pair of white rabbits. The answer to both wishes came on the same morning, but it was not quite satisfactory, for there were two baby brothers and only one white rabbit. Robble was greatly disgusted at the mistake, The next day his father found the following notice tacked to the gate post: "For Sale-One nice fat baby or i will swap him for a white Rab-Bet."

"See here," said the doctor to his refractory patient, "I've been a physician for ten years, and I know what treatment your case requires."
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Detroit Free Press. "Pa, why do they call them stump speakers?".
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STALLINGS - THOMPSON. - J. J. STALLINGS, of this city, formerly from North Carolina, was united in marriage to JOSEPHINE THOMPSON, of this city, last night at 8:30 o'clock, Rev. H. C. Gar-rison officiating.

Funeral Notice. The funeral of JAMES M'NAMARA will

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